

IN THE CLAIMS

1 1. (Currently amended) A multi-tool device comprising:

2 a single housing, said housing comprising a plurality of compartments;

3 a hatchet having a body including a cutting edge on one end ~~and a hammer head on~~
4 ~~a distal end~~, said hatchet being rotatably mounted in a first one of said compartments of said
5 housing at a first end of said housing; and

6 a digging tool rotatably mounted on the body of said hatchet, said digging tool
7 attached to said housing, said digging tool overlaying said first one of said compartments
8 when said digging tool is in a closed position

9 ~~a flashlight disposed in a second one of said compartments of said housing at a second~~
10 ~~end of said housing distal to said first end.~~

1 2. (Canceled)

1 3. (Currently amended) The multi-tool device as set forth in claim 1, further
2 comprising:

3 a first locking ~~button~~ device and a second locking ~~button~~ device, each being disposed
4 at said first end of said housing[[]], said first locking ~~button~~ device locking said hatchet in
5 a closed position in said first one of said compartments, and when pressed by a user, ~~releases~~
6 releasing said hatchet to allow said user to rotate said hatchet and rotatably extract said

7 cutting edge from said first one of said compartments[[: and]], said second locking ~~button~~
8 device locking said hatchet in an open position when said hatchet is rotated 90 degrees.

1 4. (Currently amended) The multi-tool device as set forth in claim [[3]]1, further
2 comprising:

3 ~~a digging tool rotatably mounted on the body of said hatchet,~~ with said digging tool
4 being limited to a 90 degree rotation with respect to the body of said hatchet by the body of
5 said hatchet.

1 5. (Currently amended) The multi-tool device as set forth in claim [[3]]28, further
2 comprising:

3 ~~a digging tool rotatably mounted on the body of said hatchet,~~ with said digging tool
4 being limited to a 90 degree rotation with respect to the body of said hatchet by said hammer
5 head.

1 6. (Currently amended) The multi-tool device as set forth in claim 1, further
2 comprising:

3 a knife disposed in a third one of said compartments of said housing ~~at said second~~
4 ~~end of said housing and on an opposite side of said housing from said flashlight.~~

1 7. (Currently amended) The multi-tool device as set forth in claim 1, further

2 comprising:

3 a saw disposed in a third one of said compartments of said housing ~~at said second end~~
4 ~~of said housing and on an opposite side of said housing from said flashlight.~~

1 8. (Original) The multi-tool device as set forth in claim 6, further comprising:

2 a saw disposed in a fourth one of said compartments of said housing at said second
3 end of said housing and adjacent to said knife.

1 9. (Currently amended) The multi-tool device as set forth in claim 1, further
2 comprising:

3 a compass disposed in a third one of said compartments of said housing at a position
4 between said first and second ends of said housing ~~and on a same side of said housing as said~~
5 ~~flashlight.~~

1 10. (Currently amended) The multi-tool device as set forth in ~~claim 11~~ claim 9, said
2 third one of said compartments being a storage compartment ~~and said compass forming a lid~~
3 ~~for said storage compartment.~~

1 11. (Currently amended) The multi-tool device as set forth in claim ~~[[1]]~~ 22, said
2 flashlight having a rotatable head and interchangeable lens.

1 12. (Currently amended) The multi-tool device as set forth in claim 1, said housing
2 further comprising:

3 a structural support frame to which said hatchet is rotatably mounted, said structural
4 support frame adding structural strength ~~the~~ to said housing.

1 13. (Original) The multi-tool device as set forth in claim 1, further comprising a
2 storage compartment in the body of said hatchet.

1 14. (Original) The multi-tool device as set forth in claim 1, the body of said hatchet
2 comprising a plurality of serrated teeth and a hooked portion for enabling said hatchet to be
3 hooked over and grapple a tree limb for hanging said multi-tool device from said tree limb.

1 15. (Original) The multi-tool device as set forth in claim 14, further comprising:
2 a pulley rotatably mounted at a position between said first and second ends of said
3 housing for hoisting items when said hatchet is grappled to said tree limb.

1 16. (Currently amended) A multi-tool device comprising:
2 a single housing, said housing comprising an elongated body having a plurality of
3 compartments;
4 at least one cutting tool removably mounted in a first one of said compartments of said
5 housing; and

6 ~~a flashlight disposed in a second one of said compartments of said housing~~
7 at least one second one of said compartments of said housing to hold a flashlight.

1 17. (Currently amended) The multi-tool device as set forth in claim 16, further
2 comprising:

3 a structural support frame disposed within the elongated body of said housing and
4 adding structural strength ~~the~~ to said housing;

5 a hatchet having a body including cutting edge on one end and a hammer head on a
6 distal end, said hatchet being rotatably mounted to said structural support frame about a pivot
7 point, said hatchet being disposed ~~withing~~ in a third one of said compartments; and

8 a digging tool rotatably mounted on the body of said hatchet ~~about said pivot point,~~
9 said digging tool overlaying said third one of said compartments.

1 18. (Currently amended) The multi-tool device as set forth in claim 17, further
2 comprising:

3 a first locking ~~button~~ device and a second locking ~~button~~ device, each being disposed
4 at said first end of said housing[[]], said first locking ~~button~~ device locking said hatchet in
5 a closed position in said first one of said compartments, and when pressed by a user, ~~releases~~
6 releasing said hatchet to allow said user to rotate said hatchet and rotatably extract said
7 cutting from said first one of said compartments[[] and], said second locking ~~button~~ device
8 locking said hatchet in an open position when said hatchet is rotated 90 degrees.

1 19. (Currently amended) A multi-tool device comprising:

2 a single housing, said housing comprising an elongated body having a plurality of
3 compartments;

4 ~~a structural support frame disposed within the elongated body of said housing and~~
5 ~~adding structural strength the said housing;~~

6 a hatchet having a body including a cutting edge on one end ~~and a hammer head on~~
7 ~~a distal end~~, said hatchet being rotatably mounted to said ~~structural support frame~~ housing
8 about a pivot point, said hatchet being disposed ~~withing~~ in a first one of said compartments
9 of said housing at a first end of said housing;

10 a digging tool rotatably mounted on the body of said hatchet ~~about said pivot point~~,
11 said digging tool attached to said housing, said digging tool overlaying said first one of said
12 compartments; and

13 a cutting tool removably mounted in a second one of said compartments of said
14 housing ~~at a second end of said housing distal to said first end~~.

1 20. (Currently amended) The multi-tool device as set forth in claim 19, further
2 comprising:

3 a flashlight disposed in a third one of said compartments of said housing ~~at said~~
4 ~~second end of said housing and on an opposite side of said housing from said cutting tool~~.

1 21. (New) The multi-tool device as set forth in claim 1, with said digging tool being
2 rotatably attached to said housing through a pivot pin, said pivot pin being secured to said
3 housing.

1 22. (New) A multi-tool device as set forth in claim 1, comprising a flashlight disposed
2 in a second one of said compartments of said housing.

1 23. (New) The multi-tool device as set forth in claim 22, wherein said flashlight is
2 recessed into said housing from an edge of said second one of said compartments of said
3 housing.

1 24. (New) A multi-tool device as set forth in claim 22, with said flashlight being
2 removably disposed in said second one of said compartments of said housing.

1 25. (New) A multi-tool device as set forth in claim 1, further comprising a whistle
2 incorporated into said housing.

1 26. (New) The multi-tool device as set forth in claim 1, wherein said digging tool is
2 maintained in either an open or a closed position with bearings, said bearings being recessed
3 in the body of said hatchet in a manner to permit said bearings to extend beyond the
4 periphery of the body of said hatchet.

1 27. (New) The multi-tool device as set forth in claim 1, wherein a length of said blade
2 of digging tool is at least a length of the body of said hatchet.

1 28. (New) A multi-tool device as set forth in claim 1, with said body of said hatchet
2 including a hammer head on a distal end from said cutting edge.

1 29. (New) The multi-tool device as set forth in claim 3, wherein said first locking
2 device comprises a plunger and a plunger head, said plunger being disposed in the body of
3 said hatchet and said plunger head being disposed in said housing.

1 30. (New) A multi-tool device as set forth in claim 9, with said compass outwardly
2 disposed in said third one of said compartments for light to be reflected to view said
3 compass.

1 31. (New) A multi-tool device as set forth in claim 10, wherein said compass forms
2 a lid for said storage compartment.

1 32. (New) A multi-tool device as set forth in claim 16, further comprising a flashlight
2 being disposed in said second one of said compartments of said housing.